

I have heard from men and women across Sacramento—whether they are small business owners, doctors, seniors, nurses, or government employees—and they are united in their support for health insurance reform. In every corner of our community, there are families who will benefit from this comprehensive and long-overdue legislation that will drive down costs, expand coverage, and guarantee access to affordable health care. As a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee, I have been honored to participate in the health insurance reform process over the past year, and fight for the inclusion of key preventive care and wellness provisions in the comprehensive legislation.

I am committed to continuing my work with my colleagues to enact legislation will reform our nation's health insurance system, make health coverage more affordable and accessible, and increase the quality of care for all Americans.

Congresswoman Matsui speaks against repeal of the health care law

10 Reasons Repealing the Health Care Law Will Hurt Americans

Repealing the health care law will:

1. End coverage for millions of Americans – 32 million Americans will lose their health coverage if the health care law is repealed.
2. Eliminate millions of American jobs – An estimated 4 million jobs expected to be created over the next decade by the health care law will be drastically reduced if it is repealed.
3. Add billions to the deficit – The nonpartisan Congressional Budget Office has reported that repeal of the health care law would increase the deficit by an estimated \$230 billion.

4. Allow health insurance companies to rescind coverage – Insurance companies will once again be able to drop people when they get sick, exactly when they need their insurance most.
5. Allow health insurance companies to deny coverage – Insurance companies will once again be able to deny coverage to children with pre-existing conditions, pregnant women and breast cancer survivors.
6. Increase costs for seniors and take away new benefits – Seniors will face an increase in their prescription drug costs and be deprived of the 50% discount on prescription drugs that the law will provide.
7. Reduce health insurance options for young adults – Young people will not be able to stay on their parents' plans until age 26.
8. Raise health care premiums – Health care premiums for Americans getting coverage through large employers will go up, and the lack of exchanges will mean less competition and higher prices.
9. Harm the middle class and raise taxes – Tax breaks and premium assistance that helps millions of families and small businesses pay for coverage will be eliminated.
10. Allow health insurance companies to impose devastating annual and lifetime caps – People who have chronic conditions or serious illnesses will once again have to worry about insurance companies only paying a limited amount of their medical bills.

Additional fact sheets on the health care law:

- [An Overview of the Effects](#)
- [Expanding Coverage in Uncertain Times](#)
- [Immediate Investments](#)
- [Reforming Insurance Company Practices](#)
- [Preserving Security for Aging Americans](#)
- [Strengthening Medicare](#)

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